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**APAC Minutes**  
**December 4, 2001**

Members present: Midgarden, chairperson; Borchers, Bolduc, Conteh, Edvenson, Enz Finken, Flack, Gess, Jeppson, Klenk, Max, Mills, Missiras, Nelson, Schneider, Schwartz, Shreve, Stockrahm, Wallert, Weckler.

Jan Flack was welcomed as a new member of APAC. She will serve as the MSUAASF representative on the committee.

**1. Approval of the November 20, 2001 APAC Minutes**

Weckler moved. Conteh seconded to approve the 11/20/01 APAC minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Geoscience Proposal (Action)**

(A hearing was held on this proposal at the 11/20/01 APAC meeting. The Teacher Preparation Committee has approved this proposal.)

Members of the Anthropology and Earth Science department were present to discuss and answer questions.

Russ Colson presented revisions made to the proposal because of questions or concerns raised at the 11/20/01 APAC hearing.

a. Gess moved. Conteh seconded to approve the rubric change.

All courses in Geology and Geography will be referred to as courses in Geosciences, under the schedule label of Geos instead of Geol or Geog.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Conteh moved. Bolduc seconded to approve dropping GEOG 112. (The other changes are considered minor and do not need a motion to approve because they do not change the size of the major.)

Geol 101, Earth Science Today, becomes Geos 170, with a new course description but little to no change in content.

Geog 112, Cultural Geography, will be dropped.

Geog 220, Economic Geography, becomes Geos 320.

Geog/Geol 241, Elementary Meteorology, becomes Geos 330.

Geol/Ast 260, Planetary Science, becomes Geos 360 and Ast 360.

Anth 301, Archaeological Prospection, will be crosslisted as Geos 301.

Geog 111, World Regional Geography will be renamed Culture and Regions with new content and focus.

Motion carried unanimously.

c. Enz Finken moved. Shreve seconded to approve the following major changes in existing courses:

Geol 116, Historical Geology, becomes Geos 116 and goes from 2 credits to 3 credits

Geol 117, Water, Land, and People, becomes Geos 117 and goes from 3 credits to 4 credits.

Geog 235, Geography of Minnesota and North Dakota, becomes Geos 235 and goes from 2 to 3 credits.

Motion carried unanimously.

d. Schneider moved. Gess seconded to approve the following new courses:

Geos 302, Introduction to mineralogy and petrology (3)

Geos 305, Oceanography (3)

Geos 315, Sedimentology and Stratigraphy (3)

Geos 325, Reading Landscape: Ways of Seeing, to be crosslisted as Anth 325. (3)

Geos 340, Economic and environmental geology (3)

Geos 350, Geoarchaeology, to be crosslisted as Anth 350 (3)

Geos 390, Topics in Geosciences (3)

Geos 405, Geographical Information Systems (3)  
Geos 410, Geography of Eastern Europe and Russia (3)  
Geos 415, Reading Geochemical Fingerprints (3)  
Geos 416, Paleontology (3)  
Geos 417, Taphonomy and paleoecology (3)  
Geos 450, Geology Field Course (3)  
Geos 455, Field methods in geoarchaeology, crosslisted as Anth 455.  
Geos 460, Igneous and metamorphic petrology (3)  
Geos 480, Senior seminar (1)

Motion carried unanimously.

e. Weckler moved. Edvenson seconded to approve the following new programs:

- 1) a major in Geosciences with three emphases (Geology, Geoarchaeology, and Geographical Sciences),
- 2) a teaching major (Earth Science Teaching),
- 3) a primary emphasis in the already-existing Social Studies Teaching degree (Social Studies Teaching with emphasis in Geographical Science), and
- 4) Creation of a new Geosciences minor which reflects our new curriculum, replacing the old Earth Science and Geography minors.

The committee discussion focused on library resources. It was decided that Schwartz would draft a form for APAC's review that departments proposing new programs will complete indicating a timeline of library resource needs. The library resource need information would be coordinated between the department, the library and the dean when a new program is proposed.

Motion to approve the new programs carried unanimously.

Once the Geoscience proposal has finished the MSUM governance process, it will be sent to the MnSCU Board for approval. Once approved by MnSCU, it will be sent to the Board of Teaching for approval.

### **3. Multidisciplinary Studies**

Margaret Klindworth, Rupa Mitra and Dennis Jacobs were present to answer questions.

Bolduc moved. Schwartz seconded to approve the following:

Reduce credits for MDS 095: Mathematics I from 4 to 2 credits. Also change the course description.

New Course: MDS 097: Intro to Mathematics II (2 cr)

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. Nursing Department

Barbara Vellenga and Jane Giedt were present to answer questions.

Gess moved. Wallert seconded to approve to drop the following courses:

Nursing 610, Health Promotion/Disease Prevention, 2 credits

Nursing 621, Clinical Nursing I, 3 credits (Educ. track)

Nursing 622, Clinical Nursing II, 3 credits (Educ. track)

Nursing 622P, Clinical Nursing Practicum, 3 credits (Educ. track)

Nursing 624P, Select Population Practicum, 4 credits (Transc. track)

Nursing 625P, Parish Nursing Practicum, 4 credits (Parish track)

Motion carried unanimously.

Weckler moved. Edvenson seconded to approve the following course changes:

- ❖ **credit change** in Nursing 608, Transcultural and Social Perspectives, *from 2 credits to 3 credits*
- ❖ **title change** in Nursing 618 *from Family Nursing Theory: Mental Health and other Contemporary Social Issues to Family Nursing Theory and Health Promotion*
- ❖ **credit change** in Nursing 630 *from 2 to 3 credits* and **title change** *from Epidemiology: Foundation for Practice to Advanced Community Assessment*
- ❖ **title change** in Nursing 624 *from Transcultural Nursing to Advanced Transcultural Nursing*
- ❖ **credit change** in Nursing 626, Ethical Considerations of Parish Nursing, *from 2 credits to 3 credits*
- ❖ **credit change** in Nursing 640P *from 4 credits to 3-6 credits* and **title change** *from Adult Nursing Practicum I: Adult Nursing to Advanced Nursing Practicum I.*
- ❖ **credit change** in Nursing 641P *from 5 credits to 3-6 credits* and **title change** *from Adult Nursing Practicum II: Adult Nursing to Advanced Nursing Practicum II.*

Motion carried unanimously.

Gess moved. Bolduc seconded to approve the new course:

Nursing 621, Integrative Health Practices, 3 credits.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. The "Educational Technology Specialty" proposal will be revised and resubmitted to APAC. It was not discussed or acted on as requested by Rhonda Ficek.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Gloria Riopelle